Volunteer Opportunities: HMS Database Management Activities

Kassie focused on content for the Special Categories Grant this quarter. She worked on writing, editing, and compiling all materials for the final report and all final deliverables to be submitted with the report. She compiled all FMSF updates completed under the grant and created maps and data packets to be sent in with the grant and for submission to the FMSF. During the grant period, the entire HMS Florida program drew 161 participants who completed a total of 1,299 assessment trips to 1,059 unique sites in 50 counties. Of the 1,299 total assessment trips completed, 580 visits were grant related. These 580 assessments were completed by a total of 116 individuals across 38 counties. Kassie also worked to close out the Special Categories Grant by helping to finalize grant time, timesheets, expenditures, and equipment logs and organize back-up documentation for submittal.

Kassie also started attending meetings and planning for the new federal grant for work at the GTM Research Reserve.

Kassie’s other focal point was working on QRQC and updates for the HMS Florida Arches Database. She collaborated with Adam Cox at Legion GIS to fix bugs and glitches, streamline the sign-up procedure, and upgrade the land manager account system. Scouts can now create an account in Arches with a one-step process instead of having multiple steps. A recent upgrade to the system also created a more robust profile page for all users that provides more information on their account’s access and permissions.

The Final Report for our Special Category Grant was submitted to the State on October 22, 2021.
A recent upgrade has created a more detailed profile page for Scouts and Land Managers. It now provides helpful summary information about what sites each user has access to and lists any Scout Reports that exist for each accessible site. This will be an easy way for Scouts to see what sites are assigned to them and a quick way for land managers to access Scout Reports for their sites.